

I plead for the FCC to NOT allow cell use while on passenger airplanes. Not only will this create an unbearable flight for the passengers who would have to listen to a one-way conversation potentially for the entire flight, but allowing cell phones to be used on planes is not in the safety interests of the flying public. The following reason to this argument are quite realistic and reasonable:

1) Disruptive and potentially violent confrontations between an upset passenger who has to sit next to an overtalkative passenger. I have seen and heard reports in the media regarding a large segment of the American people not wanting to be bothered with cell phone calls on planes. Mix that with alcohol and you have a potential hostile situation onboard.

2) Terrorism....Can a cell phone be used to remotely detonate explosives? Well, we see cell phones used to activate explosives triggers in Iraq. Consider as well that a terrorist aboard a plane can relay instructions to those on the ground to coordinate an attack. Also, as phones become more GPS enabled, this feature could further be used by terrorists to provide precise tracking and target information.